



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1299

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGARDING AN AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT ZONE AT BRADLEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND THE ROUTE 34 PARCEL IN NEW HAVEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general
2 statutes or any special act, the Department of Economic and
3 Community Development, after consultation and with the advice of
4 the Department of Transportation, shall assume care and control of (1)
5 the property in an airport development zone at Bradley International
6 Airport, and (2) the property known as the Route 34 property in the
7 town and city of New Haven, described in section 3 of public act 94-3
8 of the November special session, as amended by section 2 of this act.

9 (b) The Department of Economic and Community Development,
10 after consultation and with the advice of the municipalities in which
11 the properties described in subsection (a) of this section are located,
12 shall take all action reasonable or necessary to prepare said properties
13 for economic development, including, but not limited to, obtaining
14 regulatory approvals and permits.

15 (c) The Department of Economic and Community Development,
16 after approval of the State Properties Review Board, may lease or
17 convey said properties in whole or in part.

18 Sec. 2. Section 3 of public act 94-3 of the November special session is
19 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

20 [(a)] Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes to the
21 contrary, the Commissioner of Transportation shall transfer to the
22 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development care and
23 control of a parcel of land located in the city and town of New Haven,
24 having an area of approximately 25.71 acres, and bounded by the
25 following streets: To the north by North Frontage Road, to the west by
26 the Ella Grasso Boulevard, to the south by South Frontage Road, also
27 known as Legion Avenue, and to the east by the westerly face of the air
28 rights parking garage located to the east of Park Street. Said parcel of
29 land is identified on a department of transportation map entitled
30 "Construction of RTE 34/Frontage Rds., Ella T. Grasso Blvd. & Derby
31 Ave., Proj. No. 92-314, Sheet 3 of 204" as lots 1 through 6 and the portion
32 of the lot between Park Avenue and the westerly face of the air rights
33 parking garage. The Commissioner of Transportation shall locate the
34 southerly highway line of the relocated Route 34 as far to the north as
35 possible in order to maximize the size of said parcel of land, consistent
36 with the needs of the Department of Transportation to construct and
37 maintain a highway for east and west travel.

38 [(b)] Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes to the
39 contrary, the commissioner of economic development shall lease said
40 parcel of land to the Thirty-Four Development Corporation, or any
41 successor to said corporation by change of name only, subject to the
42 approval of the attorney general and the state properties review board
43 and for a cost of not more than one dollar per year during the term of
44 said lease.

45 (c) The Thirty-Four Development Corporation or such successor to
46 said corporation shall use said parcel of land for biomedical, advanced
47 technology and other economic base projects, and associated
48 infrastructure including parking and other support services, which
49 projects and services are intended to enhance the economic revitalization
50 of (1) residential neighborhoods adjacent to said parcel and (2) the city

51 and town of New Haven. If said parcel is not used for said purposes, the
52 lease shall terminate.

53 (d) The state properties review board shall complete its review of the
54 lease of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a
55 proposed agreement from the department of economic development.]

56 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

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